HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 838

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A RESOLUTION relative to energy conservation by the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, as our nation faces escalating prices for petroleum products and the deleterious environmental effects of greenhouse gas emissions, it is imperative that we redouble our efforts in energy conservation; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the necessity of energy conservation for this and future generations, this General Assembly strongly supports reducing the consumption of gasoline and diesel fuel by Tennessee State government; and

WHEREAS, on motion by Mr. Richard Banks, the Cleveland City Council recently established a goal of reducing fuel consumption in the City's fleet of motor vehicles by fifteen percent (15%) by June 30, 2010, without reducing or sacrificing the services the City of Cleveland provides to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, State government should follow the excellent example set by the City of Cleveland and adopt a like goal for Tennessee, because a significant reduction in fuel consumption at the State level would not only save the taxpayers' money, it would also provide leadership in our ongoing commitment to conserving our natural resources; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this General Assembly hereby urges and encourages the Governor to establish as a goal a reduction in gasoline and diesel fuel consumption of at least fifteen (15%) percent by the State of Tennessee's fleet of motor vehicles, such goal to be achieved by June 30, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the Commissioner of General Services.

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